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Ash Wednesday — February 17, 2010
Service of Holy Communion III — 7:30 p.m.

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*The Postlude		Depart joyfully to serve

Congregation Standing

Lay Assistant: Steve Gemma
Lector: Susan Dancewicz **Acolyte:** Jolie Todd-Sousa
Ushers: Carole Grayson & Raudna Pelletier
Nursery: Kristin Phyles

Please disable all cellphones and other devices upon entering the sanctuary. Thank you.

This evening we begin our Lenten observance of our Lord's journey to the cross with this celebration of the holy Eucharist. St. John practices Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized Christians who have been admitted to the Table in other traditions and who hold to the significance of the sacrament are invited to participate. If you prefer to receive the bread and wine in your place, please let an usher know.

We shall use Setting III of the liturgy tonight and throughout the Lenten season.

Prior to the service, the imposition of ashes is available to those who desire it. When you are moved to do so, please approach the altar and kneel. A cross will be traced on your forehead and the words, "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return" will be said. You may respond with "Amen" and then return to you place when you wish.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors who may be worshipping with us this evening. We are pleased you have chosen to fellowship with us. We invite you to return to worship with us again. Please sign our Guest Book before you leave this evening.

As has become our custom, nails are available to become part of your Lenten observance. At the conclusion of the service, please select a nail from the basket at the rear of the church. You are encouraged to carry it with you throughout the Lenten season as a reminder of our Lord's journey to the cross. You will have the opportunity to hammer your nail into a wooden cross during the Maundy Thursday service on April 1.

Lent is the most somber of the seasons of the church year. It is an especially appropriate time to "be still and know" that God is, and that He has given the life of His Son to redeem us from the way of sin and death. Plan to be part of our Lord's Lenten journey by attending worship services throughout Lent so that you can experience the full impact of the meaning and joy of Easter and the resurrection.

Our annual Pancake Breakfast will take place on Sunday, February 28. Please plan to take part and enjoy the fellowship and good food of the morning. Our Sunday church school will not meet that day.

We shall celebrate the Eucharist again this Sunday. Plan to gather once again at our Lord's Table.

We ask your prayers and concern for these members and friends of St. John today and throughout the coming week.

Ellen Hepburn David Fredricksen Anna Snow